ties for their participation in Bharat Bandh programme on the 15th March 1988 and 30th August, 1989;

(b) whether Government are taking any steps to revoke the above penalties; if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS) (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) The information is not readily available. The same is being collected from all the field units and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(b) As regards the Bandh on 15-3-88, the Government issued order on 30th August 1988 that in the case of those who had applied for leave for genuine reasons, and in the case of those who applied for leave stating that they had neither the intention nor did they intend to participate in the Bandh and that their absence was due to circumstances beyond their control e.g. on account of break-down of transportation services, picketing etc leave due and admissible might be sanctioned, provided leave is applied for within a week of receipt of the instructions and the leave sanctioning authority is satisfied of the genuineness of the reason.

Where absence on 30-8-89 was treated as dies-non, the same has been ordered to be treated as leave due and admissible on the request of the officials. The disabilities under FR-17-A imposed against officials found to have also indulged in other misconduct are to continue.

(c) Does not arise.

1384. [Transferred to 1st August, 1991]

साम्प्रदायिक दंगे

1385. **श्री अनन्तराम जायसवाल :** क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) सितम्बर, 1990 से 30 जून, 1999 की अवधि के दौरान राज्यवार कितने साम्प्रदयिक दंगे हुए तथा वे किन-किन स्थानों पर कौन-कौन सी तारीखों को हुए तथा इन दंगों में कितने मारे गये और घायल हुए और प्रत्येक राज्य में कितने मूल्य की संपत्ति नष्ट हुई ।

(ख) उनके मुख्य कारण क्या-क्या थे ; और

(ग) सरकार भविष्य साम्प्रदायिक दंगों की पुनरावृत्ति को रोकने के लिए क्या कदम उठाने का विचार रखती है ।

संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम०एम० जेकब) : (क) और (ख) एक विवरण संलग्न है [देखिए परिशिष्ट 159 अनुपत्र संख्या 37]

(ग) लोक व्यवस्था राज्य का विषय होने के कारण राज्य सरकारों को समस्याओं को हल करना होता है तथा उनके उपचारी उपाय करने होते हैं । जब कभी अनुरोध किया जाता है तो राज्य सरकारों को अतिरिक्त बल उपलब्ध करवा कर केन्द्र सरकार उनकी सहायता करती है, हमने भी राज्यों को इस प्रकार की बातों की रोकथाम करने के कुछ सुझाव दिए है । जिनसे देश में साम्प्रदायिक माहौल खराब होता हो । राष्ट्रीय एकता परिषद भी साम्प्रदायिकता की बुराईयों की रोकथाम करने के लिए रास्ते और उपाय तलाश करने की कोशिश कर रही है ।

Inclusion of Gorkhali in Eighth schedule of the Constitution

1386. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representation for the inclusion

of Gorkhali language in lieu of Nepal in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution, and

(b) if so, what is Government's response thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Criteria for inclusion of roads into National Highways

1387. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1522 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 23rd May, 1990 and state the criteria adopted for making the provisions for the constructions and up-keeps of National Highways?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): The improvement/development of the National Highways is a continuous process and is dependent upon a number of factors such as existing condition of the National Highways, inter-se priority of the work, intensity of traffic and availability of funds for the purpose, etc.

As regards norms fixed for the maintenance/upkeep of the National Highways, these are *inter-alia* based on the requirements of material and labour, width and type of road surface, traffic intensity, physical and climatic conditions, besides tde funds availability, etc.

Criterion for citizenship

1388 SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the language spoken by a person is related with the criterion of right of citizenship of India; and

(b) if not, what is the criteria for a person to be qualified for citizenship of India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) No, Sir, except in case of grant of citizenship by nationalisation under Section 6 of the Citizenship Act, 1955.

(b) A person can be Indian national by birth, by descent by registration or by naturalisation under the provisions of the Citizenship Act. 1955 and the rules framed thereunder.

Applications pending for freedom fighters pension in Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu

1389. SHRI A. NALLASIVAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications for freedom fighter's pension pending in respect of Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu, district-wise:

(b) the names of freedom fighters of the above two States whose applications are pending;

(c) by when those cases are likely to be cleared: and

(d) the number of applications for freedom fighters pension from the above two States decided favourably/rejected?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) to (c) No application for Freedom Fighters' pension from Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu which was received before the prescribed last date i.e. 31.3.1982 is pending. No separate record of receipt and disposal of applications, person-wise and District-wise, received after 31.3.1982 is being maintained. In respect of delayed applications (i.e.